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SUBJECT: EARLY WARNING-HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION
SAN JOSE-PUERTO VIEJO-SIQUIRRES

1. A FEASIBILITY STUDY HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND IS BEING REVIEWED BY THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 128.6 KILOMETERS (80 MI.) HIGHWAY LINKING SAN JOSE WITH SIQUIRRES AND PUERTO VIEJO.

2. TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT IS ESTIMATED AT US\$29.4 MILLION AND IS PLANNED IN FOUR STAGES. THE COST OF THE FIRST STAGE BETWEEN SAN JOSE AND LA PALMA, A DISTANCE OF 10.6 MILES, IS ESTIMATED AT US\$4.6 MILLION, THE SECOND STAGE, A ROAD CONNECTING LA PALMA WITH RIO SUCIO, IS TO BE 20.5 MILES LONG AND THE COST IS EXPECTED TO BE 11.9 MILLION. STAGE THREE A LINK BETWEEN RIO SUCIO AND PUERTO VIEJO, A LENGTH OF 18 MILES, IS ESTIMATED TO COST US\$2.7 MILLION. THE 30.44 MILE LINK CONNECTING RIO SUCIO AND SIQUIRRES, THE FOURTH AND FINAL STAGE WILL COST APPROXIMATELY US\$10.2 MILLION.

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3. FINANCING FOR THE PROJECT HAS BEEN ARRANGED WITH THE WORLD BANK FOR A LOAN OF US\$23.25

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4. PUBLIC BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRST STAGE WILL BE INVITED LATE IN DECEMBER 1974 OR EARLY IN JANUARY 1975, AND THE CONSTRUCTION IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING THE SPRING OF 1975. THE TOTAL HIGHWAY PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED DURING THE SECOND HALF OF 1978.

5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS PROJECT MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING: ING. RAMIRO GAMBOA, CHIEF PLANNING DEPARTMENT, MINISTERIO DE TRANSPORTED, APARTADO 10176, SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA. ING. RICARDO ECHANDI Z., BALDODANO, ECHANDI & LARA LTDA., APARTADO 10263, SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA. EDWARD AND KELCEY ENGINEERS INC., 100 CHURCH ST., N.Y. 10007.
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